



## News in brief

### IGNACIO

#### Woodward winter wood for heat has ceased

The summer yard maintenance program will begin May 1. This is available for elders and physically challenged Tribal Members. Please call Construction Services for information regarding these services at 970-563-0260.

#### Free bison meat available to tribal members

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management maintains a small herd of bison for the Tribe's ceremonial, cultural and dietary needs. As a service to the tribal membership, the division makes available bison meat to enrolled Southern Ute tribal members free of charge. Tribal bison are grass-fed at low herd density and are free of artificial hormones and other synthetic chemicals. Bison meat is naturally low in cholesterol and an excellent, healthy alternative to beef. If you are an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member interested in obtaining bison meat for personal use, call the Division of Wildlife at 970-563-0130. Quantities and cuts of meat available may be limited.

#### Explorers to host yard sale

On Saturday, April 28, the Ignacio Elementary Explorers Club will be hosting a yard sale in the parking lot at Ignacio Elementary School. You can rent space for \$15. All the profits from your sales are yours. If you would like to reserve a space, please contact Deb Otten at 970-563-0661.

#### Los Pinos Softball Tournament, May 26 & 27

Open Men's & Women's tournament will take place May 26 and 27. Entry fee is \$300. All teams must pay at the SunUte before their 1st game. Men's teams will hit their own Core .44 and Women will hit Core .47. Awards will be given for 1st thru 3rd place, All Tourney, MVP. NO homerun limit! Only approved ASA bats on current bat list will be allowed. To sign up and for more information contact Recreation at 970-563-0214.

#### Mid America, May Madness Shoot-Out

The shoot-out will take place May 5 and 6. All teams are invited to play. Grade levels are: Boys 3rd thru 8th, & High School Divisions and Girls 3rd thru 8th, & High School Divisions. Games will be played at the SunUte Community Center, 290 Mouache Circle and the Ignacio Jr. High & High Schools, 315 Ignacio Street. Register Online at [www.mayb.com](http://www.mayb.com) or call 316-284-0354. For more information contact the Tournament Director at 970-563-0214. Hotel accommodations at the Sky Ute Casino & Resort. For reservations call 800-876-7017 or [www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com). Mention or enter: MAYB Basketball to receive discounted rate.

#### May Madness Softball Tourney, May 12 & 13

Tournament will take place May 12 and 13. Entry fee is \$300. All teams must pay at SunUte before their 1st game. Men's teams will hit their own Core .44 balls and Women's teams will hit their own Core .47 balls. ASA and USSSA stamped bats only. Awards will be given for 1st thru 3rd place, All Tourneys, and MVP. No homerun limit. To sign up and for more information contact Recreation at 970-563-0214

#### Red Willow to celebrate 20 years

Please join us for Red Willow Production Company's 20th Anniversary Party on Friday, May 4 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds. An authentic Louisiana Cajun boil lunch from Norton's Catering will be served with live music from BeauSoleil. Red Willow was formed in 1992, and this year marks 20 years of continued success.

#### Casino to host fish and wildlife conference

The 27th annual Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Southwest Regional Conference will take place at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, July 24 - 26. This year's conference theme is "Honoring Mother Earth, Preserving Our Native Teachings, Adapting for the Future." Registration is on-site only and is \$175. Hotel rooms have been blocked at a rate of \$112 per night; to reserve, call 970-563-7777 or 888-842-4180. For more information, call Norman Jojola at 505-753-1451 or Joe Jojola at 505-563-3408.

#### Education Dept. community class for April

Dress and ribbon shirt workshop: Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Participants will learn to measure, cut out and sew a simple ribbon dress, or a ribbon shirt. Participants will receive the material and the ribbons to complete your project. Participants must know how to operate a sewing machine and have basic sewing skills. For more information, and to sign up, call Luana Herrera at the Department of Education 970-563-0237.

### DURANGO

#### Information sessions for adult learners

Are you ready to earn your bachelor's degree? Learn how at free informational sessions from Fort Lewis College. Sessions will cover opportunities for adult learners at FLC and explain how to enroll and apply for financial aid. Sessions are free and open to the public, and will be held every Wednesday except for the second Wednesday of each month at the Durango Public Library from 6 to 7 p.m. in Program Room 3. For more information, call 970-247-7670.

## Many Moons Ago



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## 10 years ago

Southern Ute Tribal Chairman Leonard C. Burch had received flags from the Colorado Department of Corrections in Denver on the 25th Anniversary of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. Chairman Burch then presented the Southern Ute Color Guard with the flags on April 9th in Council Chambers. Russell Box Sr. received the American Flag and Rod Grove accepted the Colorado State Flags.

This photo first appeared in the April 19, 2002, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



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## 20 years ago

Nathan Winder, Steve Rivera and John Chad Williams show off buffalo skulls that they hope to market with the help of the Economic Development Department. The skulls were purchased from the Denver Buffalo Company.

This photo first appeared in the April 18, 1992, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



### Attention Tribal Members and Casino Patrons !

Beginning April 2nd the West Front Entrance of Sky Ute Casino will be designated as a

## NO PARKING ZONE!

For our guest safety we will begin this procedure. Emergency vehicles must be able to easily enter this area. Also we will implement additional Southern Ute Tribal Elder parking near the front outside circle of the north parking area. All additional special parking areas will be identified. If you are a Southern Ute Tribal Elder and would like to receive a special parking permit to use one of these designated areas around the casino please see the Player Center for details.

All violator's vehicles who do not have a special permit for these areas will be ticketed and towed at owners expense! If you have any questions please call the General Manager's office at 970.563.1351.

**THE CASINO APPRECIATES YOUR COOPERATION**

### Advertise With Us!

The Drum is read by 1,800 people per issue. Call 970-563-0119 for rates!

We are also online at [www.southern-ute.nsn.us/drum](http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/drum)

The Southern Ute Environmental Programs is offering free home radon testing to Tribal members.

Please call Peter Dietrich for more information or to schedule an appointment. Priority to Elders and those with infants in their homes.

970-563-0135 ext. 2238, [pdieth@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:pdieth@southern-ute.nsn.us)

### SUCAP Youth Services presents a

## CANDY LAND.

### AFTER PROM PARTY for all Ignacio High School Students

April 28-29th  
SunUte Community Center  
11:00pm-4:00am

Open to all IHS students attending Prom- or not  
Inflatables, Entertainment, Live DJ, Durango Joe's, Breakfast, Cash Prizes & Sweets!

Frosh, Soph & Prom Guests must return event waiver to enter.  
Forms available at SunUte, Teen Center or the IHS office.  
Transportation provided home from 1:30am-4:00am-  
within 10miles of SunUte.  
One-time Entry.

